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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Skurtveit, et al. Group Art Unit: To be assigned
Serial Number: 09/673,168 Examiner: To be assigned
Filing Date: 11 October 2000
For: Ultrasound Contrast Agent

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the following amendment be considered to correct an error in the captioned application:

In the claims:

Please amend the following claim:

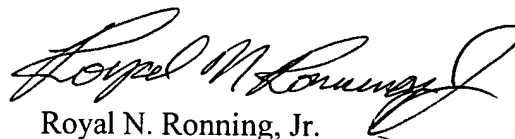
In Claim 1, line 1, please delete "presentation" and insert therein - - preparation - -.

Remarks

Claims 1-22 are pending in the captioned application, which application claims priority to PCT/GB99/01228. Applicants have amended a clerical error in Claim 1, wherein the word "presentation" instead of the correct word "preparation" was incorrectly published. Applicants respectfully assert that this amendment is fairly based on the specification (see page 3, lines 28-36) and respectfully request its entry. Applicant believes that the claims, as amended, are in allowable form, and earnestly solicits the allowance of Claims 1-22.

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